

PARTIALLY INTEGRATING COMPONENTS OF PROCESSOR-BASED SYSTEMS

Abstract of the Disclosure

5 A capability may include a pair of functions, one of
which is integrated into a platform and the other of which
is only available through an add-in card. A mating manager
may determine whether both functions are available and if
so, coordinate the operations of those functions. As a
result, platforms may be released with the capability to be
augmented thereafter by those users who choose to provide
10 the add-in cards needed to implement the capability. Thus,
for example, a wireless network capability may be partially
integrated into platforms, with additional components
needed to actually implement the wireless capability
provided through add-in cards.

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